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# A Village on the Move

# CRESTWOOD ADVISER

## Crestwood T-Ball, Fastpitch and Baseball Opening Day 2016



Crestwood's T-ball, fastpitch and baseball players enjoyed their annual parade to the park, where they enjoyed hot dogs and a full day of play out on the field. *(Continued to page 4)*



Sgt. Dino Pavoni accepts his certification as a Tactical Patrol Officer from Crestwood Chief of Police Dave Weigand.

## Crestwood Officer Recognized for Tactical Certification

At a recent Village Board meeting, Sgt. Dino Pavoni was awarded certification by the Illinois Tactical Officers Association (ITOA) for completing his training as a Tactical Patrol Officer. Chief Dave Weigand was on hand to bestow the honors to this dedicated officer.

The goal of certification as a Tactical Patrol Officer with the ITOA is to train officers in a core group of tactical skill sets that will prepare them for unexpected and violent criminal acts, and to enhance their daily survival and tactical capabilities. For his certification, Sgt. Pavoni completed training in rapid deployment, MACTAC (urban tactics), tactical rifle operation, self-aid/buddy-aid preparedness, and patrol tactics including contact/cover, building searches, high-risk felony traffic stop techniques, arrest team tactics, and K-9 search and arrest tactics. We salute Sgt. Pavoni on his achievement, and thank him for his continued dedication.

### VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD

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Mayor Lou Presta

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Letter From Mayor Lou Presta

Dear Crestwood Residents,

I want to thank everyone in Crestwood who answered the call, completing and returning the surveys sent to you by the post office. Thanks to you, we have a real chance of receiving our own ZIP code here in Crestwood as well as our own post office. I especially want to thank the volunteers and Village Trustees who went door-to-door the past few weeks to encourage everyone to mail back survey responses to the post office.

While we will not know if we were successful in our drive for a new ZIP code by the time this issue of the Adviser is published, if our new ZIP code is assigned, utility companies, cell phone carriers, cable companies and all the other businesses out there who have been automatically adding tax and/or assessing tax rates to the bills of Crestwood citizens based upon the 60445 ZIP code designation should automatically stop. If they don't, we will take the steps needed to notify them of the taxes that Crestwood does not place upon its citizens. While this tax relief may seem like a minor thing when you look at a single bill you are paying, when you add the taxes you are incorrectly being charged from all of your utility and service bills together, they can add up to a considerable savings to you and your family each year. As for myself, I look forward to doing my postal business in our own hometown post office right here in Crestwood. Many of our seniors find the travel to Midlothian's post office and the wait in line a lot

for them to deal with when they require postal services. If we are successful, that commute will be much shorter with our own postal facility.

Since becoming your mayor, we have seen 67 new businesses open up here in Crestwood, and we are presently working with nearly two dozen more businesses that have expressed interest in locating or relocating to our village. While each and every business coming to our town provides benefits to every citizen here, the benefits to our citizens that will come from their own postal facility will top the list.

May is the month when our yards and parkways come alive once more, and the vibrant green of spring greets our eyes everywhere we turn. Please keep in mind that Crestwood holds a contest each year that recognizes the best gardens in our village. This year, I hope every homeowner catches the spirit and helps bloom Crestwood. While we are talking about flowers, let's all remember that May 8th is Mothers Day, and we all want to honor one of the two most important people in our lives on this special day. To all of our mothers in Crestwood, I want to wish you a special day filled with love and blessings.

Sincerely,



Mayor Lou Presta

Village Meeting Schedule

Village Board Meetings - 8:00pm-10:00pm

Crestwood Civic Center | 14025 Kostner Ave | May 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>

Committee of the Whole - 7:00pm-9:00pm

Village Hall | 13840 S. Cicero Ave | May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

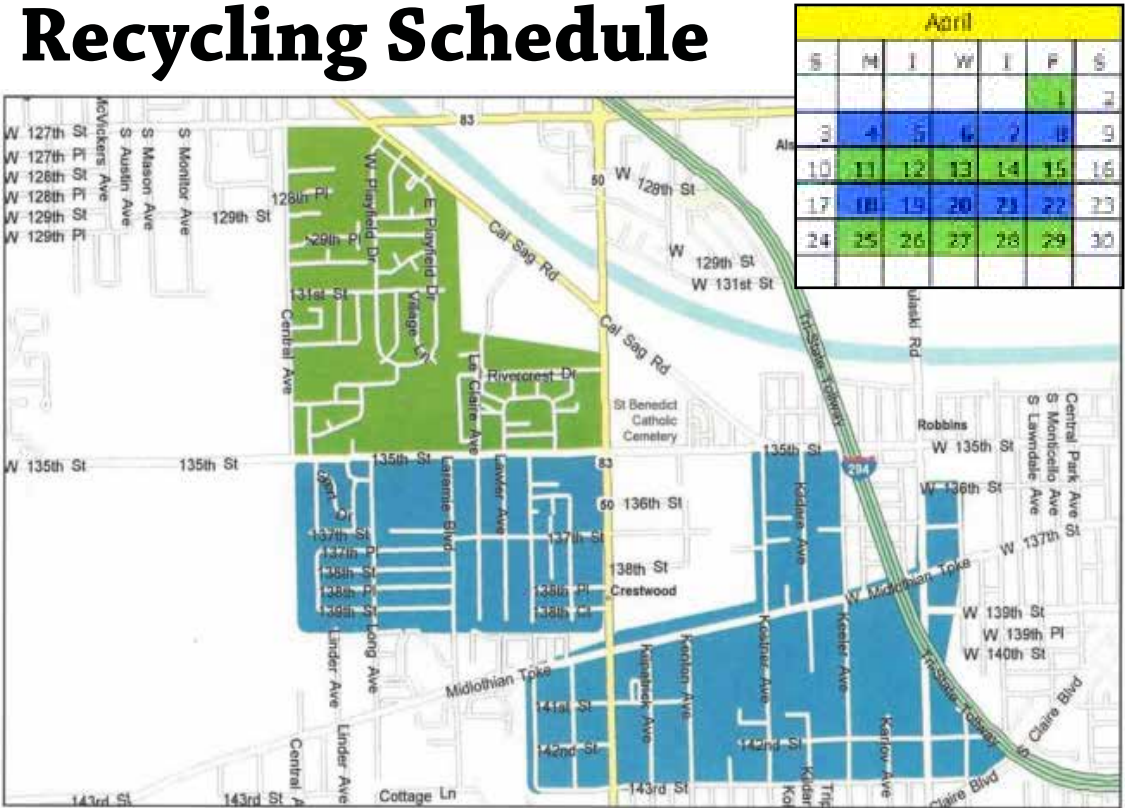
Planning Commission – Zoning Board 8:30pm-10:00pm

Village Hall | 13840 S. Cicero Ave | May 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>

Recreation Commission - 6:30pm-8:30pm

Village Hall | 13840 S. Cicero Ave | May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

Recycling Schedule







## 2016 Village-Wide Garage Sale

With spring comes the thought of spring cleaning, and in Crestwood, that means the seasonal Village-Wide Garage Sale. Clear out your unwanted items and make them available to others who might want them — you never know what castoff of yours will make someone else’s day!

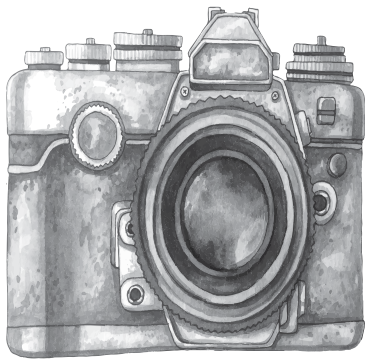
Dates for the 3rd Annual Village-Wide Garage Sale are as follows:

**Friday-Saturday, May 13-14, 2016**

Although there is no cost for a permit, a permit is required. Permits are available at the Village Hall during normal business hours.

A listing of all blocks participating in Crestwood will be posted on the Village website on the Thursday night prior to each event.

## Crestwood Arts Council to Meet



A meeting of the Crestwood Art Council will meet on Wednesday, June 1st at 7pm in Village Hall. The Council urges area photographers one last time to submit photos for its first initiative. Residents are asked to photograph scenes of Crestwood life and Crestwood living — scenes along Cicero Ave., shots of wildlife, sport, or anything that catches your eye as being reflective of our village. Flash drives for

submission are available at the Village Hall.

A meeting with Public Services Director Bill Graffeo and Mike VerSchave at ThunderBolts’ Standard Bank Stadium helped to determine areas of the ballpark that will be considered for murals. Several painters have expressed interest, but ideas for the mural subjects are currently being sought. All are welcome to attend Arts Council meetings.

## Slow Down and Keep Our Kids Safe

For the second year in a row, the Crestwood Police Department will start the summer with a campaign to educate the motorist, encouraging all drivers to slow down in residential neighborhoods.

To show your support and to remind drivers to slow down, all residents are invited to display one of our yard signs, reminding the drivers of our “Child-Friendly Neighborhoods.” Signs are available at the police department for \$10.



## Public Notice - Village Parking

Crestwood Village ordinance prohibits parking on any village street between 2am and 6am. The reason for this ordinance is so police will be alerted to abandoned vehicles or suspicious vehicles that require investigations. This ordinance also ensures that all streets throughout the Village will be open to fire and rescue equipment in the event of an overnight emergency. This is especially necessary in areas where narrow streets can block large fire trucks. We will continue to enforce this ordinance. Thank you for your cooperation with this ordinance. The initial fine for this violation is \$75.00. This is a Village-wide ordinance. **PLEASE BE SURE THAT YOUR LATE NIGHT AND OVERNIGHT GUESTS ARE MADE AWARE OF THIS AS WELL!**



An MWRD staffer shows a potted oak sapling.

## MWRD to Begin Weekly Oak Sapling Distributions May 4

A new initiative designed to restore the urban canopy and manage Cook County’s stormwater will continue as the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) begins distributing free saplings to residents of Cook County at six water reclamation plants every Wednesday from 9:00am to noon.

The MWRD will distribute the free tree saplings beginning May 4 at the Calumet, Egan, Kirie, Hanover Park, O’Brien and Stickney water reclamation plants. In addition, the MWRD will distribute free trees during public tours and open houses on Saturday, May 21, from 9:00am to noon at these facilities.

The MWRD’s new program is called “Restore the Canopy, Plant a Tree.” Trees are an important part of Chicago’s ecosystem. They provide rain absorption and a canopy that reduces city heat island effects. They also absorb carbon gases and produce oxygen.

“There is no limit to the benefits that trees, especially oak trees, provide to our region,” said MWRD President Mariyana Spyropoulos. “Trees can keep neighborhoods cooler and lower energy bills, provide oxygen and shade, buffer noise, provide protection from wind, and most importantly in our case, absorb water. We invite schools, community groups, and municipalities in our area to participate, and together build our canopy.”

The saplings will be individually potted. Planting and care instructions, along with additional information regarding the benefits of trees, will be provided. Photos can be posted on Facebook or Twitter @mwrdbg #myMWRDtree.

The MWRD is mapping the location and neighborhoods of where the canopy is being replenished so a street address of where trees are to be planted is requested upon receipt.

For more information, please contact the MWRD Office of Public Affairs at [publicaffairs@mwr.org](mailto:publicaffairs@mwr.org) or by calling (312) 751-6633.

### Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) locations:

**Calumet WRP, 400 E. 130th St., Chicago, IL**

**Egan WRP, 550 S. Meacham Rd., Schaumburg, IL**

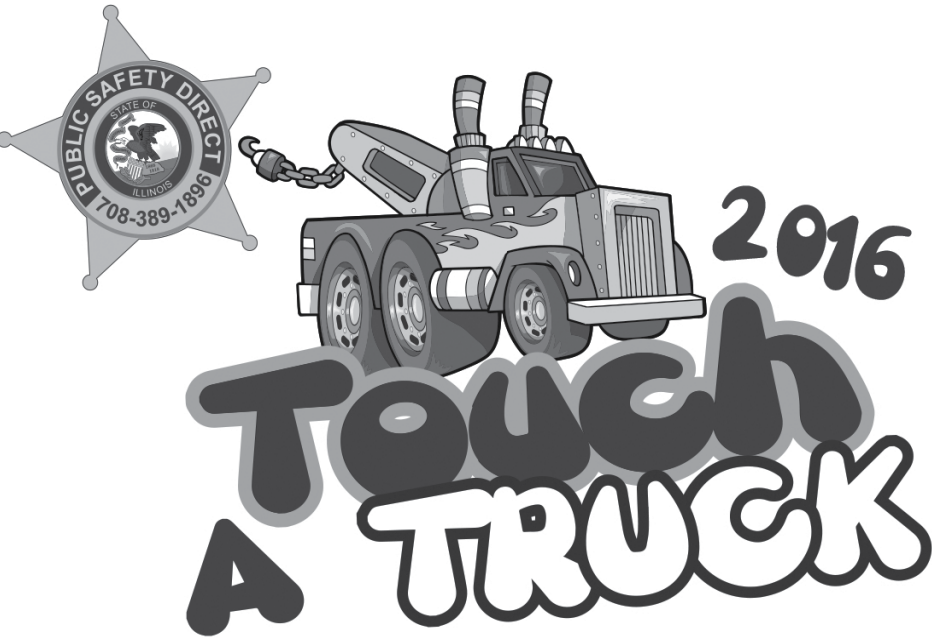
**Hanover Park WRP, 1220 Sycamore Ave., Hanover Pak, IL**

**Kirie WRP, 701 Oakton St., Des Plaines, IL**

**O’Brien WRP, 3500 Howard St., Skokie, IL**

**Stickney WRP, 6001 W. Pershing Rd., Cicero, IL**





# A FAMILY EVENT

**Saturday June 25th 2016**  
from 10am till 2pm at  
**Rivercrest Shopping Center Parking Lot, Near Target**

In Cooperation with: *All are welcome to touch and take photos with REAL equipment, trucks, and emergency vehicles!*

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**CRESTWOOD**



## Crestwood T-Ball, Fastpitch and Baseball Opening Day

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Mrs. ZIP Code, Mrs Donna Dallio-Gaetz with two young players.

Accompanied by the sirens and blaring horns of the Crestwood Fire Department and Crestwood Police Department, young baseball/softball players welcomed the 2016 season as the annual opening day parade kicked off on Sunday, April 24th. Players from T-ball, Softball and Baseball donned their uniforms and met at the Rec Center before embarking on the parade down 135th Street to Laramie, continuing on the Walker Park. Many spectators took the opportunity to enjoy the sunny, warm weather as people lined the sidewalks to watch. The kids in attendance had an extra treat in store for them as well, as the athletes threw candy into the crowd for them to catch.

As the parade ended at Walker Park, the players made their way to the softball fields to officially begin the season with a speech of encouragement from Coach Bill Madlener. The celebration was not over with the parade, however, as the T-Ball Teams enjoyed their first games of the new season. All players were given the classic ballpark snack of a hot dog and also a bottle of water. Baseball then went over to the fields at Playfield Park to have their games.

A great day was had by all. We wish all of the teams a fabulous season!



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## Support Tour de Cure to Stop Diabetes

On June 12th, New Lenox police officer Mike Jurka will be participating in the 25th annual Tour de Cure bicycle ride to help stop diabetes. Mike is the son of Crestwood Trustee Dan Jurka and the Biela Center Program Coordinator Carol Jurka. Mike's own son, Michael, was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes in March 2015.

Mike is one of thousands of cyclists celebrating this 25th anniversary ride, which raises money to further the mission of the American Diabetes Association — to prevent and cure diabetes, and to better the lives affected by the disease.

Mike has his own page at the Tour de Cure's site where people can donate to



support his participation. He graciously requests that any willing to support the cause of ending diabetes give what they can on behalf of his son and all of those suffering with this terrible condition.

“With your help, we will fight for a future where a parent does not have to hear that their child has diabetes,” Mike said. “A future where an adult does not have to face the uncertain times ahead after receiving a diabetes diagnosis. A future where you and I will know that we had a part in making this possible.”



Mayor Presta and the Board of Trustees have heard the requests of many to report crimes in our Village. Working with our Police Department, a compiled snapshot of a month's reporting will be shown here in the Adviser. Our intent is to inform the public in order to protect and be vigilant in calling upon our Police. The Mayor urges all to stay tuned in to your neighbors' well-being and property. Call our police, report suspicious activity, be aware. (911 or Dispatch non-Emergency 708-385-5131).

Deceptive Practice

3-6-2016: A resident reported that eight fraudulent transactions worth \$429.00 were made on her credit account without her knowledge.

3-7-2016: A resident reported that he had lost his debit card and by the time he discovered that the card was missing, over \$500 worth of transactions were made.

3-11-2016: A victim reported that an unauthorized transaction was conducted with his credit card at Target for \$234.00.

3-23-2016: A female was arrested at Best Buy of being in possession of a fraudulent identification card and attempting to open a credit account for a purchase.

Thefts

3-4-2016: Unknown suspects entered a vehicle in the parking lot of Nathan Hale school and took a Michael Kors purse.

3-10-2016: A victim reported that an unknown suspect entered her unlocked vehicle in the Target parking lot and took multiple items.

3-13-2016: A woman reported that unknown suspects entered her vehicle that was parked in the 137th block of Lamon Ave. and took her hot pink Coach purse.

3-16-2016: A resident reported that unknown suspects entered her unlocked vehicle in the 128th block of West Playfield Drive and took several items of girls' softball equipment.

3-19-2016: A victim reported that four of his hubcaps were stolen off of his vehicle that was parked in the Kohl's parking lot.

3-28-2016: A resident reported that unknown suspects entered his unlocked vehicle in the 5300 block of Park Lane and took a Garmin GPS and a black iPod.

3-28-2016: A victim reported that his wallet had been stolen from a locker at Export Fitness.

Retail Thefts

3-3-2016: A female was arrested at Kohl's and charged with felony retail theft after attempting to steal \$609.00 worth of merchandise. She was also wanted on a warrant for retail theft.

3-9-2016: A male was arrested at Menard's for attempting to steal \$143.00 worth of merchandise. The offender was also wanted by the Illinois Department of Corrections for a parole violation warrant.

Fourteen people were issued local ordinance citations for retail theft during the month of March.

No License/Suspended Driver Arrest

3-3-2016: A female was arrested at Midlothian Turnpike and Kildare and charged with driving below the minimum speed limit, no valid drivers license, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and failure to use child restraints.

3-12-2016: A male was arrested in the136th block of Cicero and charged with driving with a suspended license.

3-13-2016: A male was arrested in the 143rd block of Cicero after driving around police vehicles that were blocking traffic for the fire department. He was charged with failure to reduce speed upon approaching emergency vehicles, driving under the influence of alcohol and driving under the influence of intoxicating compounds.

3-17-2016: A female was arrested in the 137th block of Cicero and charged with no valid registration and driving with a suspended license.

3-18-2016: Officers were dispatched to the 136th block of Cicero for the report of a man in a vehicle who was slumped over the steering wheel. Officers discovered the subject to be highly intoxicated. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and no valid drivers license.

3-23-2016: Officers were dispatched to a call for an accident in the 136th block of Cicero for a vehicle that drove into a building. After officers arrived they discovered a female driver who appeared to be intoxicated. After being arrested and transported to the station she submitted to a breathalyzer and had an alcohol reading over three times the legal limit.

3-27-2016: A female was arrested in the 138th block of Cicero and charged with expired registration, driving without a license and operating an uninsured motor vehicle.

3-29-2016: A female was arrested in the 5000 block of Cal Sag Road and charged with speeding, driving with a suspended license and operating an uninsured motor vehicle.

Burglary/Robbery/Weapons

3-13-2015: A victim reported that while he was walking in the 136th block of Pulaski, an unknown suspect exited a vehicle, displayed a gun and demanded his money.

3-17-2016: Unknown suspects broke the glass at the Nailistic Spa located in the 131st block of Cicero and after gaining entry to the business they stole the cash register.

Criminal Damage/Trespass to Property

3-9-2016: A resident reported that unknown suspects broke out the driver's side window on his vehicle in the 142nd block of Keeler.

Warrant Service

3-8-2016: A female was arrested in the 4800 block of Cal Sag Road for a warrant for failure to appear from Vermilion County.

3-9-2016: A female was arrested in the 139th block of Walter Drive for an outstanding warrant from the Cook County Sheriff's Department for violation of probation.

3-15-2016: A male was arrested in the 140th block of Char Lane for an outstanding warrant from Cook County Sheriff's police for DUI.

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Heartsaver

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Village Hall 13840 S. Cicero Ave

All students must be registered with village hall prior to day of class.Classes may be cancelled due to low enrollment.

FF/PM Chrysa Jonas - CPR Coordinator

Call 708-371-4805 or email Cjonas@villageofcrestwoodil.gov



# Raffle Offers Vets, Active Military Chance for Big Day of Fishing

The Crestwood Recreation Committee and the Village of Crestwood is once again holding its raffle to send up to 12 Crestwood Veterans or Active U.S. Military personnel, along with a friend, fishing on Lake Michigan. Number of those fishing will be based on ticket sales.

Raffle tickets are \$5 each, with a limited supply of tickets. There are two parts to the raffle:

Part 1: Ticket purchasers can win prizes. 1st Prize – 55” Smart TV; 2nd Prize – A two-night stay at the Hilton Garden Inn in Rockford, along with a \$50 gas card to help you get there; 3rd Prize – \$200 Visa gift card. There will also be eight \$50 gift card winners.

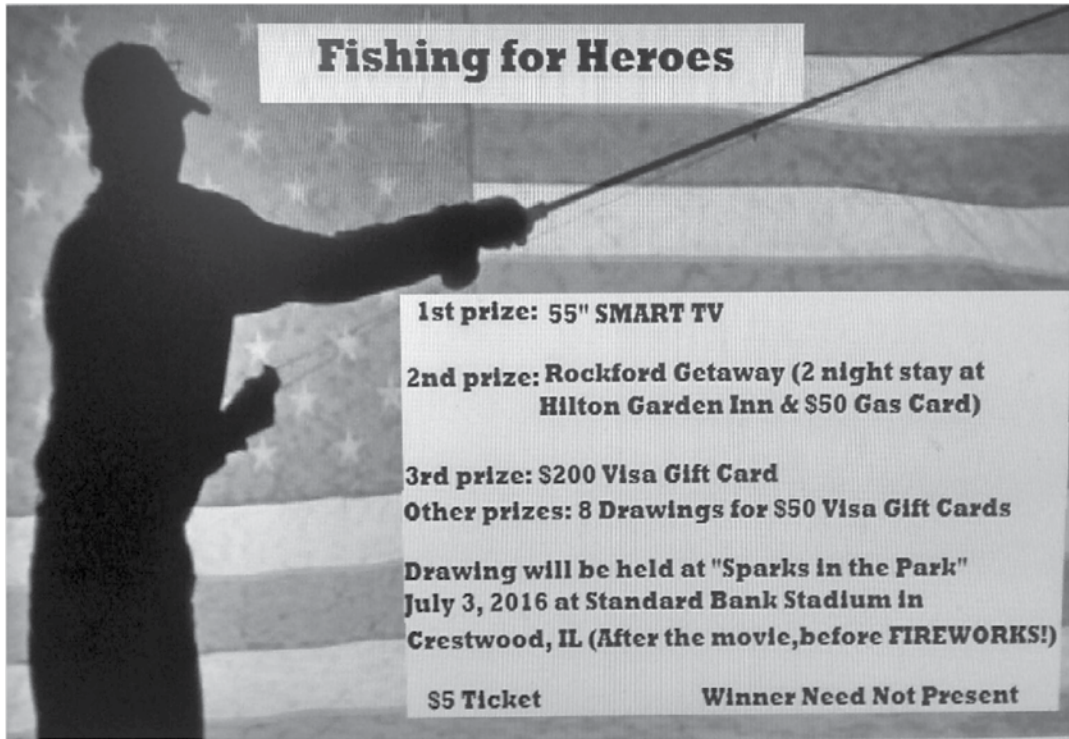
Part 2: Crestwood residents who are veterans or active members of any branch of the US Military are eligible to win a fishing trip on one of the Lake Michigan Charters and bring a friend, military or not. You don’t need to purchase a ticket to win. Crestwood Vets/ Active Military can sign up to be eligible by going to Crestwood Village Hall, show proof of residency, proof of Military service, and fill out the registration form. That’s it. There will be up to four charters, each carrying three vets along with their friends for a six-hour fishing trip on Lake Michigan. If you don’t have a fishing license, we’ll get that too.

Winners for both parts will be announced at the July 3rd Sparks in the Park movie and fireworks display event at Standard Bank Stadium (4545 Midlothian Turnpike). Winners will be announced after the movie and before the fireworks. Winners need not be present.

Raffle tickets will be available from Crestwood Recreation Committee members, at Walker Park Concession stand during T-Ball and Crestwood Softball games, at the Biela Center and Village Hall. (Please bring exact change.)

If you have any questions about ticket purchasing or registration, please contact Committee Chairman Bill Madlener at Bmadr@aol.com.

## Fishing for Heroes Raffle



**1st prize: 55" SMART TV**

**2nd prize: Rockford Getaway (2 night stay at Hilton Garden Inn & \$50 Gas Card)**

**3rd prize: \$200 Visa Gift Card**

**Other prizes: 8 Drawings for \$50 Visa Gift Cards**

**Drawing will be held at "Sparks in the Park" July 3, 2016 at Standard Bank Stadium in Crestwood, IL (After the movie, before FIREWORKS!)**

**\$5 Ticket                      Winner Need Not Present**

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## Cook County Animal and Rabies Control



# Low Cost Rabies Vaccine Clinics

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**Tuesday, June 7th**  
**10 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.**

**Country Square Plaza Parking Lot (S.W. Ice Arena)**  
**5505 W. 127<sup>th</sup> Street, Crestwood**

Cook County Department of Animal and Rabies Control will be providing low cost rabies shots to dog, cats and ferrets of Cook County Residents. Mobile clinic services will be offered on a first-come, first served basis until 2:45 p.m. Pet owners must present a valid Drivers License or State ID. For public safety all pets must be leashed or caged at all times.

### LOW COST FEES

**\$ 7.00 for a 1- year Rabies Vaccine & \$ 21.00 for a 3 - year**  
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For more information call:  
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Cook County Commissioner Joan Patricia Murphy's Office 708.389.2125  
Visit [www.cookcountyl.gov](http://www.cookcountyl.gov) Click Agencies - Animal Control for a complete summer schedule of additional locations and dates.

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<u>Individual</u>		<u>Individual</u>	
Annual	\$200	Annual	\$280
6 months	\$115	6 months	\$190
Monthly	\$20	Monthly	\$33
<u>Seniors (65+)</u>		<u>Seniors (65+)</u>	
Annual	\$145	Annual	\$195
6 months	\$115	6 months	\$190
Monthly	\$20	Monthly	\$33

Fitness Center Hours	
Monday—Thursday	5:30 AM—10:00 PM
Friday	5:30 AM—8:00 PM
Saturday—Sunday	7:00 AM—5:00 PM

Pool Hours	
Monday—Thursday	5:30 AM—9:00 PM
Friday	5:30 AM—7:00 PM
Saturday—Sunday	7:15 AM—4:00 PM

ALL INCLUSIVE MEMBERSHIPS			
16 years of age and older <i>Membership privileges include access to the indoor pool (lap, open, family swims, water fitness classes), whirlpool, fitness center, group exercise classes, indoor track, sport courts and locker room.</i>			
Crestwood Residents		Non—Residents	
<u>Individual</u>		<u>Individual</u>	
Annual	\$280	Annual	\$360
6 months	\$190	6 months	\$255
Monthly	\$33	Monthly	\$45
<u>Seniors (65+)</u>		<u>Seniors (65+)</u>	
Annual	\$195	Annual	\$245
6 months	\$175	6 months	\$235
Monthly	\$33	Monthly	\$45

AQUATIC MEMBERSHIPS			
16 years of age and older <i>Membership privileges include access to the indoor pool (lap, open, family swims), whirlpool, indoor track, sport courts and locker room.</i>			
Crestwood Residents		Non—Residents	
<u>Individual</u>		<u>Individual</u>	
Annual	\$190	Annual	\$265
6 months	\$115	6 months	\$190
Monthly	\$20	Monthly	\$33
<u>Seniors (65+)</u>		<u>Seniors (65+)</u>	
Annual	\$125	Annual	\$175
6 months	\$95	6 months	\$160
Monthly	\$20	Monthly	\$33

[www.CrestwoodFitness.com](http://www.CrestwoodFitness.com)

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**Mondays**  
**May 2 — June 13**  
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**Times:**

**6:00 to 7:00 PM    or    7:15 to 8:15 PM**  
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**\$39.00 Resident / \$44.00 Non-Resident**

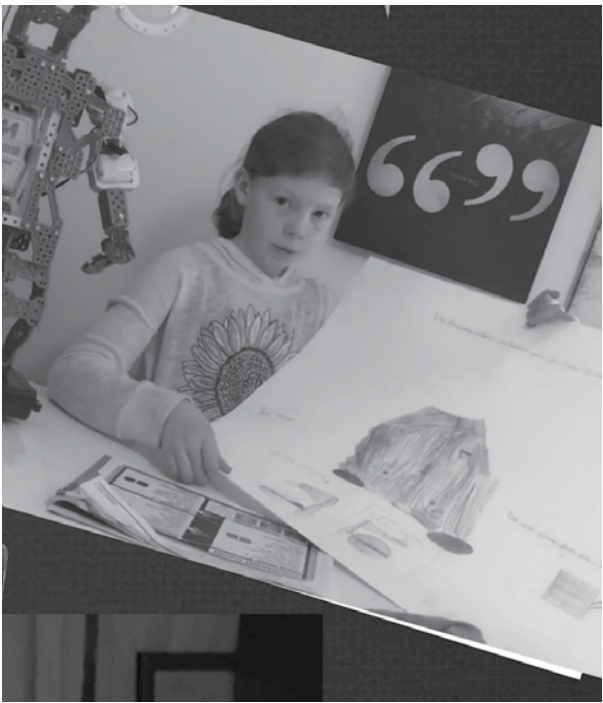
**Instructor: Carolyn Esquivel**  
YogaFit Level 1, 2 & 3 and NPTI certified



# Crestwood Resident Top 10 Finalist for NASA Optimus Prime Contest — Vote!

Crestwood resident Sophia Sheehan, age 9, was chosen as one of the top 10 finalists of NASA’s Optimus Prime Spinoff Promotion & Research Challenge (OPSPARC) in her age group, where she showcased her knowledge of NASA. Her mission was to test her skills at changing an everyday object into something that would make our world a better place. Sophia’s solar-powered warm air coat shows innovative spirit and ingenuity! She’s done the hard part at this point, submitting her prototype to NASA. Now it’s your turn to help her to realize her dream by going to the NASA Goddard OPSPARC webpage and vote for Sophia!

Visit [itpo.gsfc.nasa.gov/opsparc/index.php](http://itpo.gsfc.nasa.gov/opsparc/index.php) to vote today!



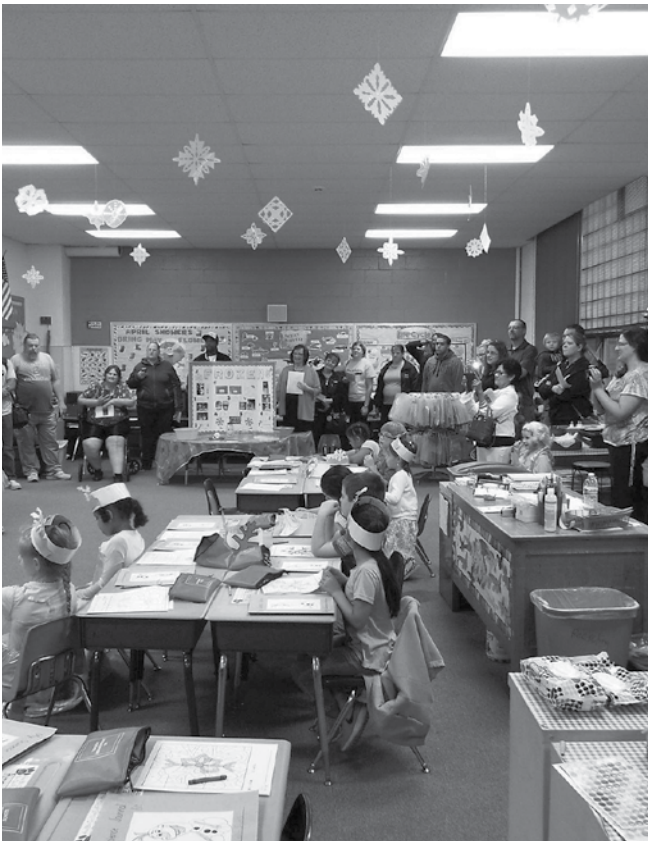
Crestwood resident Sophia Sheehan has been chosen as a top 10 finalist for NASA’s Optimus Prime Spinoff Promotion & Research Challenge, and she needs your help to win it!

# Science at Its Best!

On April 21st, St. Christopher School hosted a “Night of Science Exploration!” During this event, every student from Kindergarten through 8th grade participated in an exploration in the field of science. From learning about the weather and simple machines to participating in a science fair, the students learned a lot while having great fun! St. Christopher School had the opportunity to invite educators, community members, and young professionals to come and judge the junior high students on their projects, and had nothing but great things to say about the students’ preparedness, confidence and scientific knowledge! Congratulations to all of the participating students at St. Christopher School on a job very well done!



Students K-8 at St. Christopher School participated in a “Night of Science Exploration!” which offered students opportunities to learn while having fun.



# Kolmar School Happenings



(Left to Right) Kolmar School participated in a district-wide spelling bee. There were two 1st-place winners from Kolmar School, and six runners up. (Middle, Right) Kolmar students Skyped with children’s author Bob Shea on Family Literacy Night.





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**\*Mr. Walder is currently enrolled in the doctoral program at the University of St Francis.**

**Work Experience**

**Math Teacher (football, basketball, baseball coach)**  
**Eisenhower High School**

**Dean of Students**  
**Richards High School**  
**Alan B. Shepard High School**

**Assistant Principal/Athletics**  
**Eisenhower High School**

**Assistant Principal/Discipline and Attendance**  
**Richards High School**

**Associate Principal**  
**Alan B. Shepard High School**  
**Eisenhower High School**

**Alan B. Shepard High School**  
**Principal Greg Walder**

**Educational Achievements\***

**Bachelor's Degree - Math**  
**University of St. Francis**

**Masters in Education**  
**National Louis University**

**Type 75 Administrative Certificate**  
**Lewis University**

### Introducing Greg Walder, Shepard’s New Principal

By now, many will know that Dr. Josh Barron has been hired as an assistant superintendent by District 218. We’re proud to announce that former Shepard administrator — and current associate principal at Eisenhower High School — Mr. Greg Walder will succeed Dr. Barron.

In addition to a list of Mr. Walder’s educational and work achievements that outline his qualifications for the position, Mr. Walder shared a few thoughts about Shepard, and his goals and vision for the school.

*Why did you want this job?*

I wanted this job because I love the direction the district is heading and I feel like I am the person to lead a building.

*What about this school community attracted you?*

The diverse population is challenging but what makes Shepard so unique.

*What goals — short or long-term — do you have?*

Continue to move ABS in a positive direction that Dr. Baron has started. He has left the building a great place and I am looking forward to continuing improving student achievement.

*In the weeks ahead, where can parents meet you?*

The 40th anniversary of ABS on April 16.

Add anything else you’d like to emphasize. It is such an exciting time to be at CHSD218 with all this change. I am so excited about being a part of this change and am grateful for given this opportunity.

### GET UP AND GET OUT!!!

**Big Bikes Big Hearts Charity Motorcycle Run**

*Sunday, May 15th, 8:30am*

**At the Office, 4901 Cal Sag Rd., Crestwood**

Park Lawn hosts its 19th Annual Big Bikes Big Hearts Charity Motorcycle Run in support of Park Lawn’s mission to provide services for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Registration is \$25 per rider/\$5 per passenger, and includes raffles, door prizes, a post-run party at Sullivan’s (4460 W. 147th St., Midlothian) with live music and food, and more. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit [www.parklawn.com/events](http://www.parklawn.com/events) or call (708) 425-6867.

**Windy City ThunderBolts Vs. Joliet Slammers: Opening Night 2016!**

*Thursday, May 12th, 6:05pm*

**Standard Bank Stadium**

**14011 S. Kenton Ave., Crestwood**

The ThunderBolts play their first game of the year, celebrating with a special postgame fireworks display sponsored by Lakeshore Beverage, who also are sponsoring a pint-glass giveaway to the first 500 fans 21 years of age and older. The first 1,000 fans will receive a 2016 ThunderBolts magnetic schedule courtesy of Standard Bank.

**Windy City ThunderBolts Vs. Traverse City Beach Bums: School Days**

*Tuesday, May 17th-Wednesday, May 18th, 10:35am*

**Standard Bank Stadium**

**14011 S. Kenton Ave., Crestwood**

May 17th-18th are School Days at Standard Bank Stadium, as the ThunderBolts invite all schools to bring their students for a special field trip to see them take on the Traverse City Beach Bums. Tickets start as low as \$5. Bring your own lunch or add a hot dog, chip and soda lunch for an additional \$3. Special unbeatable bus rates for attending schools. And as always, kids run the bases after every non-fireworks home game. For more information or to reserve tickets, contact Marissa Miller at (708) 489-2255 or [mmiller@wcthunderbolts.com](mailto:mmiller@wcthunderbolts.com).

**Mycorrhizal Fungi**

*Saturday, May 28th, 1:30pm*

**Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center**

**9800 Willow Springs Rd, Willow Springs**

The habits of fungi go far beyond their role as decomposers. Come learn about these organisms and their importance in the health of woodland ecosystems. Ages 13 & up. Limit 15. Call (708) 839-6897 to register. Cost: Free.



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**Windy City ThunderBolts Vs. Joliet Slammers: “Star Wars” Night Sponsored by Standard Bank**

*Saturday, May 28th, 6:05pm*

**Standard Bank Stadium | 14011 S. Kenton Ave., Crestwood**

It’s the ThunderBolts’ first-ever *Star Wars* Night sponsored by Standard Bank! Come dressed as your favorite *Star Wars* character, take part in a Chewbacca Roar Contest, enjoy *Star Wars*-themed sights & sounds, and enjoy a postgame fireworks show! The ThunderBolts will also be wearing special *Star Wars*-themed jerseys, which we will auction off with all proceeds going to Make-A-Wish Illinois. We also celebrate Memorial Day Weekend as all active duty members and Veterans of the military receive a free ticket for them and a guest. (Must show valid Military I.D.)



# Blue Island Reopens, Dedicates Recreation and Community Center



A \$300,000 reinvestment project to renovate the Blue Island Recreation and Community Center highlights the city’s renewed commitment after years of neglect. (Credit: City of Blue Island)

Blue Island, IL – Nearly 40 years ago, the leaders of this south suburb believed its South Side residents needed a place to play and to call their own. Today, Blue Island’s leaders are proud to inject new life into the Rec Center and tip their hats to the leaders who considered it a priority over the years.

On Saturday, April 2nd, 2016, Mayor Domingo Vargas joined area state representatives, family of two former community leaders and local residents to re-open the Recreation and Community Center after a year-long, \$300,000 renovation project to return the facility to the safe place to learn and play it was when first envisioned in 1978.

Vargas and others cut the ribbon on reopening the facility and dedicated the building to two key leaders: the John D. Rita Recreation Center, for the popular former mayor who helped the make the center a reality, and the Carlee Jackson Jr. Gym, for the city’s groundbreaking alderman who represented the center and its surrounding neighborhoods.

Rita served as mayor from 1978 to 1985 and helped turn the center from an initial idea in 1978 to a community jewel when it opened in 1980. Jackson became the city’s first African-American alderman in 1997 and served the California Gardens community around the Rec Center with distinction until 2009.

Plaques honoring John Rita Sr. and Carlee Jackson have been installed inside the recreation center to serve as reminders of the commitment and leadership both displayed daily for the people of Blue Island. Those attending the ceremony also watched a video about the center’s history and importance to the city.

“This is more than a recreation center. It’s a community center and it belongs to all people of Blue Island. For too long, we let this opportunity pass us by, but not anymore. We are restoring and building on that important legacy,” said Mayor Vargas.

## The Recreation Center renovations include:

- Removed and replaced two main roofs
- Removed and replaced two main HVAC units and gas piping
- Removed and replaced existing interior doors and hardware
- Removed and replaced existing ceiling tile
- Renovated and painted bathrooms
- Remove all outdated exterior and interior lighting and installed new LED lighting
- Removed and replaced all existing electric receptacles and switches
- Painted all walls, ceilings, metal frames and doors
- Prepared wood gym floor and installed new protective finish
- Removed and replaced all cabinets and casework
- Repaired and cleaned aluminum bleachers
- Repaired and cleaned all interior finishes

“It is an honor to be here with the people of my district on such an important and historic day,” said State Representative Will Davis (D- East Hazel Crest). “I can’t think of two more deserving individuals than John Rita Sr. and Carlee Jackson to be forever linked to a facility that will once again be a beacon of hope for the City of Blue Island and the California Gardens Community.”

“As the senator for this community, I take a lot of pride in seeing Blue Island believe enough in the people of this community to make renovating and reopening the Rec Center a priority in this administration,” said State Senator Napoleon Harris (D- Harvey). “I look forward to seeing everyone come out to make this a place to play safe and have fun once again,”

“Not only this community, but the citizens of Blue Island mean so much to me and I wholeheartedly support this project,” said 6th ward Alderman Dexter Johnson. “Our families deserve a place to learn and play in a safe environment and this recreation center gives them such a place.”

“The renovation of this Recreation Center is an investment towards our youth and future,” said 6th Ward Alderman Jairo Frausto. It’s a facility that used to make a positive difference for the people of Blue Island and I believe it will continue thanks to the city's commitment.”

Bottom photos: The Blue Island Recreation Center has been revitalized and is ready to once again serve its community to the fullest.







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# Jennifer Hudson to Perform at Ingalls Benefit Show June 4th

Harvey, IL – Mark your calendars now for Saturday, June 4th, when Grammy Award-winning recording artist, Academy Award-winning actress and bestselling author Jennifer Hudson takes to the stage at the Star Plaza Theater for the Annual Ingalls Benefit Show!

This year marks the 44th year for the show, which draws Ingalls supporters from throughout the Chicago area and northwest Indiana. All monies raised help fund Ingalls Health System’s clinical care, community benefit programs and employee scholarships.

“Each year, Ingalls is proud to host an evening with a famous entertainer or group at the Star Plaza Theater in Merrillville, Ind.,” explains Paul Donohue, Vice President of the Ingalls Development Foundation.

Prior events have included performances by Gladys Knight, Smokey Robinson, Jay Leno and the legendary Diana Ross. Since its inception, the show has raised more than \$16 million for patient care, capital projects and community benefit programs in the Southland.

“The annual shows are a great way to enjoy an evening of entertainment and support Ingalls,” he added. “This year, we are thrilled to host Chicago native Jennifer Hudson.”

The extraordinarily talented Hudson began her singing career in a small Chicago church, where, week after week, she brought the congregation to its feet. From humble beginnings, Hudson has gone on to achieve worldwide acclaim.

The 34-year-old won a Golden Globe and Academy Award for her portrayal of Effie White in *Dreamgirls* and was a Season 3 finalist on *American Idol*.

Her 2008 self-titled debut record won a Grammy Award for Best R & B Album and was presented by one of Hudson’s idols, the late Whitney Houston. She’s gone on to record two other albums, her most recent being *JHud*. Her top Billboard songs include “Spotlight,” “And I’m Telling You I’m Not Going,” “If This Isn’t Love” and “Where You At” among others.

Hudson’s also appeared in numerous films, including *Sex and the City*, *The Secret Life of Bees* and *Winnie Mandela*, which garnered her an NAACP Image Award for Best Actress. She received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame in



2013 and has been tapped to perform at the Presidential Inauguration, Super Bowl XLVII and the Academy Awards. Hudson has also added author to her list of accomplishments with the release of her New York Times best-selling memoir, *I Got This: How I Changed My Ways, Found Myself and Lost Everything that Weighed Me Down* in 2012.

She made her Broadway debut last fall as Shug Avery in John Doyle’s re-imagination of *The Color Purple*, which is now playing at the Bernard B. Jacobs Theatre to rave reviews. The show is produced by Scott Sanders and Oprah Winfrey.

Hudson has also been honored by the Recording Academy at the annual GRAMMYs on the Hill for her philanthropic efforts, specifically with her organization, the Julian D. King Gift Foundation, founded in 2009 with her sister Julia, to provide stability, support and positive experiences for children of all backgrounds so that they will become productive, confident and happy adults.

Hudson next can be seen in HBO’s 2016 television film *Confirmation*.

“This year’s show promises to be an incredible one,” Donohue added.

Ticket prices for the 44th Annual Ingalls Benefit Show start at \$125. Invitations will be mailed soon, but save the date now for the amazingly talented Chicago native Jennifer Hudson!

For more information, contact the Ingalls Development Foundation at **(708) 915-6369**.

## Village & Biela Center Happenings

Unless otherwise indicated, all listed events are at the Biela Center, 4545 Midlothian Turnpike.

For more Information  
**708-371-4860 Ext. 6001**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 <i>May</i>	3 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie	4 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:30 p.m. Crestwood Seniors 1:00 p.m. Movie	5 12:00 p.m. Cards 1:00 p.m. Movie	6 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie
9 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:30 p.m. Biela Seniors 1:00 p.m. Movie	10 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie	11 11:15 a.m. Fitness 1:00 p.m. Movie	12 <i>Grand Victoria Casino - 9 AM</i> 12:00 p.m. Cards 1:00 p.m. Movie	13 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:00 p.m. Dessert 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie
16 11:15 a.m. Fitness 1:00 p.m. Movie	17 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie	18 <i>Blood Pressure - 9 AM</i> 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:30 p.m. Crestwood Seniors 1:00 p.m. Movie	19 12:00 p.m. Cards 1:00 p.m. Movie	20 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie
23 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:30 p.m. Biela Seniors 1:00 p.m. Movie	24 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie	25 <i>Nice Work -11 AM</i> 11:15 a.m. Fitness 1:00 p.m. Movie	26 12:00 p.m. Cards 1:00 p.m. Movie	27 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:00 p.m. Dessert 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie
30 <i>Memorial Day- Closed</i>	31 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie			



Lunch and bingo or a movie for over 50

Tuesday, May 3	Baked Ham
Friday, May 6	Salami Sandwich
Tuesday, May 10	Beef Sandwich
Friday, May 13	Dessert and Bingo
Tuesday, May 17	Hot Dogs and Beans
Friday, May 20	Hamburgers
Tuesday, May 24	Sloppy Joe
Friday, May 27	Dessert and Bingo
Tuesday, May 31	Sausage Pizza

Enjoy a delicious lunch (\$4.00) at the Biela Center at noon. Bingo and a movie star t at 1 p.m.. Please help us by making reservations. Reservations for Tuesday lunch must be made by 4 p.m. Friday and reservations for Friday lunch must be made by 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Movies of the month to be shown at the Biela Center

Thank you to the Crestwood Library for donating these movies for our seniors to watch.

May 2 - 6	“Beethoven's Big Break”
May 9 - 13	“Mary Poppins”
May 16 - 20	“Hop”
May 23 - 27	“Back to the Future”
May 31 - June 4	“Mall Cop I”

Movies are shown Monday through Friday at 1 p.m.

Never A Dull Moment at the Biela Center

By now you know the Biela Center is located at 4545 Midlothian Turnpike, but do you know what goes on a daily basis? Senior citizens, you never have to be bored again.

Take a look at the many activities that wait for you here:

- \*Choose a senior fitness group that works best for you-one, two, or three times a week.
- \*Keep your driving privileges, and your freedom, by attending one of our frequent Rules of the Road classes held throughout the year.
- \*Every week we offer free movies for your enjoyment in a relaxed atmosphere.
- \*Lunch and bingo are offered Tuesdays and Fridays all year at the Biela Center.
- \*Free blood pressure screening is offered every month.
- \*Join us for some of our group trips to casinos, plays, theaters, and other interesting venues.

Chicago South Elks Lodge 1596

The Elks, in cooperation with the Biela Center, continue to collect pop-tabs for Ronald McDonald House as well as eyeglasses, greeting cards, used cell phones and chargers for other charities.

For more information, contact the Elks at 708-597-7465 or the Biela Center at 708-371-4860, EXT 6001.

Sorry....No refunds can be made

We’ve often experienced last-minute cancellations for our various day trips. We have to make it clear that when reservations are confirmed, refunds will not be issued.

Therefore, no refunds can be given for any trip unless we have a waiting list or if you can find a replacement for your reserved space. When you register for a trip, you have two weeks to decide before payment.

Please do not arrive more than 30 minutes before scheduled departure time for a trip. We do publish the scheduled departure time for our trips. Your cooperation will be appreciated. Many passengers are very sensitive to strong perfumes and aftershaves. We ask that you think of others if you use them.

Senior Fitness Offered at the Biela Center

The Biela Center offers a great fitness class one, two, or three times a week, and you can work at your own pace. Feel better and sleep better.

Diana Esparza, our instructor, will guide you through your special needs. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 11:15 a.m.

The cost is \$30 for 24 classes, \$20 for 16 classes, \$10 for eight classes or a \$2 daily fee.

CASINO TRIPS

When making casino reservations, please have your card number or address and date of birth. Remember, you must have a valid picture ID at the casino....Winning more than \$1,199 requires showing your social security card.....!

Grand Victoria Casino

Spend the day gambling in Elgin at the Grand Victoria. Trip includes tranporation and \$5 free slot play.

When:	Thursday, May 12th
Time:	Depart 9 am - Return 4 pm
Cost:	\$27 (Includes \$5 free slot play)

Ameristar Casino

Enjoy the day in East Chicago, Indiana gambling at the Ameristar Casino. Receive a \$10 food credit toward the lunch buffet.

When:	Monday, June 20th
Time:	Depart 9 am - Return 3 pm
Cost:	\$27 (Includes \$10 food credit for buffet)

Blue Chip Casino

Enjoy a day at the Blue Chip Casino in Michigan City, Indiana. The trip includes 4 hours of gambling, a buffet lunch and \$10 in E-Play after 1,000 points.

When:	Monday, August 8th
Time:	Depart 8:45 am - Return 4 pm
Cost:	\$27

Call 371-4860, ext. 6001 for reservations

Rules of the Road Here on June 13th

Secretary of State, Jesse White, in cooperation with local organizations, will offer a Rules of the Road review course at the Biela Center free of charge.

The two-hour session helps prepare drivers for the Illinois driver license exam. Topics include written, vision and road tests.

When:	Monday, June 13, 2016
Time:	1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Nice Work If You Can Get It

Set in the Roaring Twenties, this is a sparkling musical filled with exciting dance numbers, glittering costumes and a wonderful love story between a New York playboy and a feisty, bubbly bootlegger who melts his heart.

When:	Wednesday, May 25th
Where:	Theatre at the Center
Time:	Departure: 11:00 AM
Cost:	\$74.00 (Choice of shrimp skewers or grilled chicken breast and pesto sauce)



Shrine Of Christ’s Passion

This is an interactive half-mile pathway that begins with the Last Supper then journey through the Passion of Christ. The journey consists of 40 life-size bronze statues. Background music plays throughout the journey. Motorized transportation is available for those who cannot make the 1/2 mile walk.

When:	Wednesday, June 8th
Time:	Departure: 9:00a.m.; Return 4:30p.m.
Cost:	\$55 includes transportation, tour and lunch at the Old Country Buffet.

Best Friends Trip

Enjoy a summer's day at the Illinois River Winery, then relax on a mule-pulled ride on the I&M Canal. Have Gourmet Popcorn shop and finally the Rosebud Creek Farm.

When:	Thursday, July 14th
Time:	Departure: 9:00a.m.
Cost:	\$67 (includes tours, boat ride and lunch)

- REMINDER -  
Don’t be disappointed when trips are cancelled. Please sign up as soon as possible.  
We have deadlines for booking the trips.  
- The Biela Center

World's Fair Tour

Take a trip down memory lane and visit the "1893 World Fair". You will explore the famous Midway and then continue to main buildings in Jackson Park. Tour Rockefeller Chapel on the University of Chicago campus. Lunch will be at Pocolo Mondo Italian Restaurant.

When:	Thursday, August 25th
Time:	Departure: 9 am - Return 4 pm
Cost:	\$72 (Includes lunch)

Crazy For You

This is a romantic Gershwin music-comedy. Memorable Gershwin tunes like "I Got Rhythm". "Nice Work if You Can Get It", and "Someone to Watch over Me". This is a vivacious night filled with mistaken identity, and fabulous dance numbers that are perfect for the whole family.

When:	Thursday, November 17th
Where:	Drury Lane
Time:	Departure: 10:30a.m.
Cost:	\$80 (includes transportation, lunch & show)

Attention Seniors!!!

The Crestwood Seniors Club is looking for members. They meet on the First and Third Wednesday of the month at 12:30 p.m.

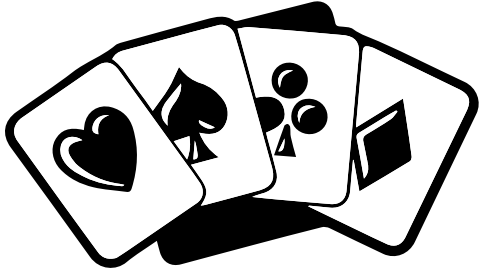
The club does an array of activities at their meetings. Coffee and sweet rolls are available to be enjoyed as the members visit with each other; planned activities are enjoyed on holidays. For the holidays, the club becomes community involved. The members make favors and bring in presents for nursing home residents...

Consider joining a fun group. Please stop in on club day for further information.

Also, the Biela Seniors Club is looking for members. They meet at the Biela Center on the second and fourth Monday at 12:30 pm. Call the Biela Center for more information.



“The heart of a mother is a deep abyss at the bottom of which you will always find forgiveness.”  
— Honore de Balzac



ATTENTION ALL CARD PLAYERS!!!

Crestwood's senior card players are looking for new members to join them for pinochle at the Biela Center on Thursdays at noon. If interested, stop in on Thursdays at noon.

- ATTENTION -  
If you have any special needs for seating on the bus please inform us when making reservations.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING AT THE BIELA CENTER OFFERED MAY 18TH.

Free blood pressure screening will be offered at the Biela Center on Wednesday, May 18th, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Barbara, our Biela Center Blood Pressure Nurse will be available.

HEARING SCREENING WILL NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE AT THE BIELA CENTER

If you would like to be tested contact Bruce at the Audibel Center for Hearing Excellence 14164 South Cicero Avenue | Tel: 708-385-3332 to set up an appointment.



## BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS IN CRESTWOOD

### Towncare Pharmacy at Ultra Foods Looks Out for You

After 17 years working for a national pharmacy chain, Anene Dike decided it was time to strike out on his own. He did so here in Crestwood at Towncare Pharmacy, conveniently located at Ultra Foods (13180 Cicero Ave., Crestwood). He’s been there serving as pharmacy manager for roughly a year and a half at this point, and is excited every day for the opportunity to serve the well being of his community, as well as the challenges in running his business.

“It’s challenging here,” Dike says, with a note of optimism. “Eventually we will be a major pharmacy in this area. We have a lot of things that really make us stand out.”

First on that list is convenience. According to Dike, there are anywhere from 14,000 to 21,000 people who patronize the Ultra Foods location where Towncare Pharmacy is located. “One thing this pharmacy has done is provide them the convenience of dropping off their prescription, go to shop, coming back,” he says. “They don’t have to call a machine and be on hold for a long time to be helped. More and more people are finding out about that convenience.

“Now as far as price, that’s another thing that makes us stand out,” Dike continues, citing the one thing that’s on everybody’s mind. “We don’t have to pay the big boys — we don’t buy any yachts for anybody. That makes our price very, very good. This is the place to save. We save people as much as 40 percent — 50 percent, in some cases.”

But these are just the bigger, more obvious concerns. There are other, more singular services that Dike says Towncare Pharmacy offers that set it apart from its major competitors. One of those standout services is compounding for pet medications. Everyone with furry four-legged family members knows it can be a challenge to get them to take medication that they might desperately need, and Towncare Pharmacy tries to make it easier for pet owners and their pets. “We do pet compounding in special ways that Walgreens or all of the big chains won’t do,” Dike offers. “We craft them in a way they would like it. We flavor it — if it’s marshmallow, beef, chicken, salmon — we do that.”



Anene Dike, pharmacy manager at Towncare Pharmacy located inside Ultra Foods, has considerable experience with — and enthusiasm for — serving the better health of his community.

A much bigger differentiator than pet compounding, though, is Towncare Pharmacy’s delivery service, which demonstrates their commitment not only to Crestwood, but to the surrounding community at large. “We have customers even in Chicago,” he says. “We have people in the West Side of Chicago, South Side of Chicago, Riverdale, Crestwood here, Midlothian, Palos Heights, Alsip, Calumet Park, Blue Island,” he says, adding that the business focuses on helping people who are truly in need. “We care a lot for people who have limited mobility — people who need special things. We kind of go out of our way to attend to the needs of those people.”

Towncare Pharmacy is interested in cultivating loyalty in the community, but it’s putting its money where its mouth is by offering that same loyalty in return. The counter at Towncare Pharmacy features a number of offers for those walking by who care to take advantage of them. One of the offers was for a free glucose meter. Dike explained. “If you are a diabetic and you bring your prescriptions here, anywhere from three prescriptions, you get a free blood glucose meter — free,” he emphasizes. “We go out of our way to really help people. Sometimes we give people vitamins, free. We give some people aspirin, free.”

It’s an attitude that substantially underscores the Towncare Pharmacy philosophy. “If you fill a prescription here, and you’re faithful to this shop here and let us fill your prescriptions, we look out for you.”

### Crestwood Auto Auction to Public: Come and Do Your Bidding

If there’s a message that Sobhan Nikpouri, manager of Crestwood Auto Auction wants to get out to the public, it’s that they are invited. Many might think that an auto auction business caters strictly to dealers, but Sobhan says that their business is different.

“We’re a hybrid of an auto auction and a dealership,” he explains. “Some of our customers are dealers, and they bring their customers along with them. They buy a car, and the next thing I see is the customer handing the guy \$500 cash for him purchasing the car. I can’t say anything, but in my head, I’m thinking, ‘This guy doesn’t need to pay this dealer \$500. You could come here and purchase the car flat out for the same price.’ He doesn’t need a dealer license — we’re open to the public.”

Walking into the showroom, one is confronted by the formidable auctioneer’s platform on the south end of the room. It’s not unlike a stage set populated with cars, and Sobhan is keenly aware of the “entertainment” feel of the proceedings, acknowledging the fun side of the business.

“Wednesdays and Saturdays, we hold our auctions,” Sobhan says. “But it all depends on how many people show up to a facility. Let’s say we have 25 or more people showing up at the same time — that’s when we’ll call our crew and we’ll run the auctions.”

Prior to auction days, Sobhan and his family encourage prospective car buyers to come and have a look at their inventory, and to bring along their own experts so that they feel comfortable and confident when bidding on their chosen vehicles. It’s obviously important to the family that customers feel good about their decision to purchase a car from Crestwood Auto Auction.

“Typically, people come in and check out their cars,” Sobhan says. “They get to start up the cars, they get to drive the cars, [do] inspections — we’ll encourage them to bring their mechanics and get a quality car. You don’t want any surprises. We do offer a warranty as well, which a lot of companies won’t do, especially being an auction and selling the cars as-is.”

In addition to a warranty on their vehicles, Sobhan says that onsite personnel take care of all of the untidy paperwork for buyers. “We handle all of their DMV transactions. We collect their Cook County and state taxes — we handle all of that on their behalf.”

And of course, they are very flexible when it comes to financing, and will work hard with everyone who comes in to get them into a car. “Good credit, bad credit, no credit — we get everyone financed,” Sobhan offers. “So long as they have the required down payment for that particular vehicle, we can go ahead and finance them.

“Now, there are some people who come in here to buy a \$15,000 car and only want to put \$500 down, and to have zero credit,” he chuckles slightly. “That may not work, but we can put them in a \$3,000 car,” he says, reassuringly. “We work with everybody. “

The Nikpouri family at Crestwood Auto Auction is ready to serve the public.





# Park Lawn’s 19th Annual Big Bikes Big Hearts Charity Motorcycle Ride

Join Park Lawn for its 19th Annual Big Bikes Big Hearts Charity Motorcycle Ride on May 15th. Proceeds from the event will support Park Lawn’s mission to provide services that promote independence, choice and access to community living for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Registration will take place at 8:30am at At The Office Sports Bar and Grill, 4901 Cal Sag Road, Crestwood, with first bikes out at 10:00am and last bikes out by 11:00am. Breakfast will be served from 8:00am to 9:00am. Cost is \$5.00 per person.

Registration fee is \$25/rider and \$5/passenger, and includes raffles, door prizes, free bike show, run pins to the first 700 bikers, as well as entrance to the post-run party featuring live music and food.

Walk-ins and non-run participants are invited to attend the post-run party at Sullivan’s, 4460 W. 147th Street, Midlothian, starting at 1:30pm with a \$15 entry fee donated to Park Lawn. Live music

by Rock Star Rodeo and Perry Hutchins will be featured. In the event of inclement weather, the post run party will not be cancelled.

Tickets are available for Park Lawn’s Big Bikes Big Hearts Split the Pot Raffle. Tickets are \$5.00 each and a book of five tickets is \$20.00. This is a great opportunity to win some cash and help those at Park Lawn. Drawing will be held May 15 at the post-run party at Sullivan’s. Winner need not be present to win.

To register for the ride or to purchase raffle tickets, visit: [www.parklawn.com/events](http://www.parklawn.com/events) or call the Development Office at (708) 425-6867.

Sponsors of Big Bikes Big Hearts include At The Office Sports Bar and Grill, Sullivan’s Irish Pub & Eatery, Drunken Monkey, Three Monkeys Pub, Hupy and Abraham, Chicago Sprinklers Fitters Local 281, A.B.A.T.E., Toys for Tots, IL Motorcycle Freedom Run. For more information visit: [www.parklawn.com](http://www.parklawn.com).



**About Park Lawn**  
*Park Lawn provides services that promote independence, choice and access to community living for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Services include: adult developmental training, vocational services, supported employment, residential opportunities, and recreational activities. Founded in 1955, by a small group of parents, today over 500 individuals are enrolled in Park Lawn’s programs. These individuals have the opportunity to pursue a life of productivity, independence and happiness the same as any other individual.*



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## Park Lawn to Host Planning for Children With Special Needs Seminar

Park Lawn will host a seminar that will focus on planning for children with special needs. The event will be held on May 23rd at 6:30pm at Park Lawn, 10833 S. LaPorte Ave., Oak Lawn.

Presenters include Greg Zibricky, president of Provider Group Wealth Advisors and author of F.A.M.I.L.Y. Autism Guide (Your Financial Blueprint for Autism) and Amy Delaney, attorney of Delaney Delaney and Voorn.

Topics that will be covered include:

- Estate Planning for a Child with Special Needs
- Planning for the Future - Guardianship v. Powers of Attorney for Children with Special Needs
- Insurance (Funding the SNT)
- Beneficiary/Titling and Family Communication
- When can my child qualify for my Social Security benefits?
- Should you choose Obamacare over Medicaid?
- How to help your children enroll in and maintain benefits?

Please register by May 16th. To register, visit: [www.parklawn.com](http://www.parklawn.com) or call (708) 435-6867.

## Obituaries

**Richard J. Jarek**, age 79, late of Crestwood. Beloved husband of the late Diane M. Jarek (nee Drogolewicz). Loving father of John (Chelly) Jarek, Teri (Mick) Forde and Tim (Sonja) Jarek. Proud grandfather of Cameron, Emily, Tommy, Alexa, Michael and Shayna. Dear brother of Helen Jarek. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer’s Assoc. or a veterans charity. A funeral service was held at the Hickey Memorial Chapel in Midlothian. Interment at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery.

**Diane M. Jarek**, age 77, late of Crestwood.

Beloved wife of Richard J. Jarek. Loving mother of John (Chelly) Jarek, Teri (Mick) Forde and Tim (Sonja) Jarek. Proud grandmother of Cameron, Emily, Tommy, Alexa, Michael and Shayna. Dear sister of Bob (Flo) Drogolewicz and Dee (Rich) Fantozzi. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Misericordia Heart of Mercy in Chicago. A funeral service was held at the Hickey Memorial Chapel in Midlothian. Interment at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery.

**Costantino “Tino” Vivacqua**, 79 years, of Crestwood, passed away on April 3, 2016.

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Beloved husband of the late Mary Lou (nee Lenti). Loving father of Tony (Scott Sarti), Frank (Karla), Angela and Paul. Cherished grandfather of Bridget and Victoria. Fond brother of Michele (Maria). Dear uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation at Becvar & Son Funeral Home, Crestwood. Funeral Mass at Incarnation Church. Interment at St. Mary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Alzheimer’s Association would be appreciated. (708) 824-9000 or [www.becvarfuneralhome.com](http://www.becvarfuneralhome.com).

**Mary Jane Jacobson** (nee Borland), 71 years, of Crestwood, passed away on April 23, 2016. Beloved wife of Gary D. Fond. Daughter of the late John and Anna

Borland (nee Flanigan). Loving sister of Marget “Margie” (Dub) Reed, Betty (the late Charles) Fenton, Vickie (Chuck) Giallombardo, Sally (Allen) McCabe, Larry (Donna) Borland and the late Johnny Borland, Jr., Nancy Kay Borland and Peggy (the late Weldon) Smith. Dear daughter-in-law of the late Walter and Leona Jacobson. Fond sister-in-law of Dee Borland Russell Jacobson, Dale Jacobson and the late David and John Jacobson. Visitation at Becvar & Son Funeral Home, Crestwood. Interment followed at Saint Benedict Cemetery, Crestwood. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Harbor Light Hospice in Mary Jane’s name would be appreciated. (708) 824-9000 or [www.becvarfuneralhome.com](http://www.becvarfuneralhome.com).



# May Events at Crestwood Public Youth Programs

**Cinco De Mayo Party**  
Kids grades K-3 join us this month as we Celebrate Cinco De Mayo with crafts, games stories and snacks!  
Thursday, May 5 from 4:00 5:30pm  
Registration Required

**Kids Kitchen!**  
Children ages 8 and up, who enjoy helping in the kitchen, will enjoy learning to make kid friendly recipes. All supplies provided. this month we will make fruit smoothies!  
Wednesday, May, 11, 2016

**Family Game Night**  
Bring the whole family for an evening of fun and games. You bring the players and we provide the games.  
Games for all ages available.  
Tuesday, May 17, 2016

**Book Buddies**  
Children ages 3-6 can spend time with a Shepard High School student reading books and making a small craft.  
May Date: May 11, 2016  
6:00-7:00pm Please Register

**May the 4th Be with You!**  
Come watch Star Wars: The Force Awakens in honor of Star Wars Day.  
Ages 6 and up. Wednesday, May 4th 5:00pm.  
Popcorn will be served, bring your own drink.

**Turtle Pajama Time**  
Kids ages 4-9 come to the library in your pajamas to hear turtle stories and make a turtle craft. Please register. Ages 4-9  
Tuesday May 10, 2016 from 6:00-7:00pm

**After School club**  
Kids K-2 come to the library for a teddy bear picnic. Bring your favorite teddy bear or stuffed animal for some picnic fun!  
Please register.  
Thurs. May 19, 2016 at 4:00pm

**NEW!!! Garden Club!!**  
If your child likes to plant flowers or grow vegetables this is the group for them. We will be planting an outdoor garden this summer and it is time to get ready.  
Kids grades k-8 will meet to learn what to plant, plant seeds, design and prepare the garden, plant the plants and then weed and water all summer, and harvest in the fall.  
Come help us plant outside on Saturday, May 21 from 11:00 to 1:00  
adults welcome to help!!!

**"On Your Mark, Get Set... READ" - Summer Reading 2016**  
Get ready to play and read this summer!!! Summer Reading registration begins Monday, June 6, 2016.

Registration Required for all programs. Call 708-371-4090 for details.

## Alzheimer’s Support Group to Meet Tuesdays at Elks Lodge



The Alzheimer’s Association would like to extend an invitation to those who are caregivers for loved ones to attend a support group meeting, to take place the second Tuesday of every month at 2:00pm.

The group was fortunate to be able to secure space at the Chicago South Elks Lodge #1596, located at 4428 Midlothian Turnpike in Crestwood. There are so many in need of support, and everyone is welcome to openly discuss their loved ones’ issues. The sessions are available at no charge, and all who might need support should consider themselves welcome.

The Alzheimer’s Association’s coordinator, Angela Bowman, would like to thank Mr. Bill Meir, the Elks Lodge manager, for allowing anyone in need of group support to use this wonderful meeting facility, and urges everyone who feels the need for its service and comfort to attend.

## Article Suggestions

Crestwood Adviser welcomes suggestions for articles — stories about residents, local events, random acts of kindness, and more! Please let us know what you think should be covered in your Village newspaper by emailing us at **info@crestwoodadviser.com**, calling Fanning Communications at **708-293-1430**, or bringing a hard-copy submission to the Village Hall at 13840 S. Cicero Avenue.



# May Adult Programming at Crestwood Public Library

## Medicare Workshop

Presenter Laura Mandujano from Humana will provide answers to your Medicare questions! She will cover topics such as when you can enroll, what your options are, and what Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D cover. Please register for this event.  
**Monday, May 9 6:00 PM, Thursdays, May 12 & 19 10:30 AM**

## Homebuyer Workshop

**Monday, May 2 6:00 PM**

Looking to purchase your first home? Or maybe you've had a short sale or foreclosure in the past and you're ready to purchase a home again. Join us for an informative presentation from Classic Realty Group to ensure that you have all the tools you need to make home buying a smooth process. Please register.

## Book Discussion Group

Be sure to pick up a copy of our latest Book Club read from our front desk!!  
We'll be meeting again on  
**Wednesday, May 4, at 6:00 ..PM**

## Needles & Yarn

Interested in learning how to knit, or just want to make new friends? Join us for another session of Needles & Yarn! Don't have needles? You can purchase a pair at the library. **Monday, May 23 at 6:30 PM**

## Butterfly & Hummingbird Gardens

**Monday, May 16 6:00 PM**

Special guest speaker and gardening expert Nina Koziol returns to the Crestwood Library to share some tips and tricks for creating the perfect gardens for butterflies and hummingbirds.

## Free Computer Classes

Need some one-on-one practice with your computer skills? Sign up for a 45 minute session with one of our librarians on select Fridays during the month.  
Call for available dates and times.

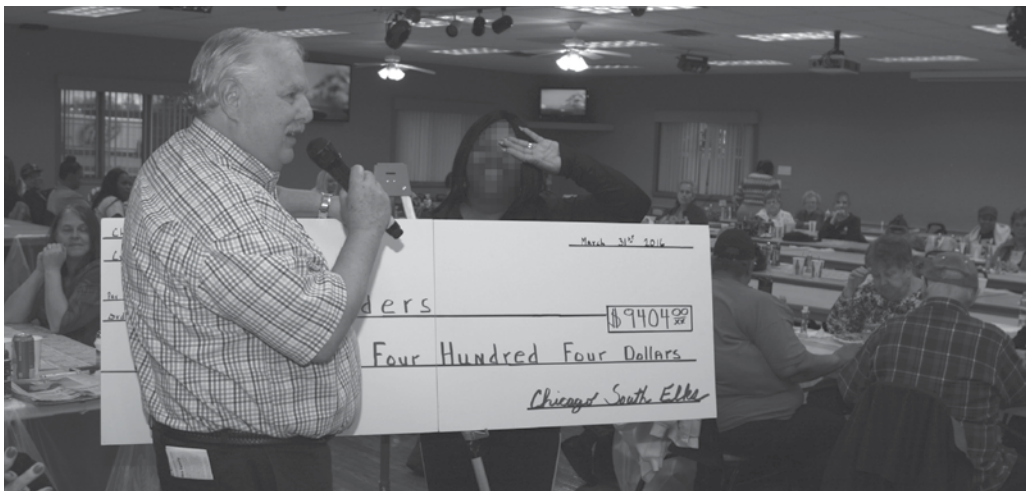
## Zen Adult Coloring Group

You'll clear your mind, you'll have fun and you might even have a pretty piece of art to frame when you're finished. All Supplies provided. Adults 18 and older.  
**Wednesday afternoons at 2:30 and Thursday evenings at 6:30pm**  
**no classes May 5 or 12**

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Diane Sanders of Markham couldn't believe it when she won the \$9,400 Progressive Jackpot Bingo Prize at the Chicago South Elk's Lodge in Crestwood.

## Big Wins at Elks Lodge Bingo

While Diane Sanders of Markham may be a little camera shy, she was still happy to claim the Progressive Jackpot Bingo Prize of \$9,400 at the Chicago South Elk's Lodge in Crestwood on March 24th. Every Thursday evening, players from the surrounding area converge at the Elk's Lodge (4428 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood) for their chance to win big money while having tons of fun. Early bird specials begin at 6:30pm and regular Bingo starts promptly at 7:00pm. Games are open to everyone.

## Crestwood History: Did You Know?

- By 1822, the U.S. congress authorized Illinois to build the Illinois-Michigan Canal to eliminate the portage between the Chicago and Des Plaines Rivers. The canal was completed in 1848.
- In the olden days of Crestwood, the streets were unpaved, and those streets only included Cicero Ave., 135th Street and the Midlothian Turnpike.
- The Village was incorporated on the initiative of William and Agnes Williams, William P. Kuntz, Chas S. Weinberger, Charles B. Goesel, Ernest Musilek, A. C. Evers, Mr. Schwartz and Dr. Jesek.
- Crestwood's proud sporting tradition goes back a tidy ways — the first fundraising group to go before the Village Board was the Crestwood Little League, which did so in May 1955.



# Fun & Entertainment

\*Sudoku and Crossword Answers appear in next issue

## FREE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING FOR CRESTWOOD RESIDENTS!

### CRESTWOOD RESIDENTS

are invited to place free advertisements in the Crestwood Adviser. Free classified ads are offered to Village of Crestwood residents only and are limited to 20 words or less and can include information related to the following items:

Garage Sales  
Lost and Found  
Large Appliances  
Automobiles  
Motorcycles  
Boats and Trailers

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Apartments for Sale or Rent  
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## APRIL CLASSIFIEDS

### FOR SALE

Simplicity SE2 embroidery machine with instruction book and video. 3 hoops. Extra PES design cards. \$200 OBO. Call Lou, 389-4197. Crestwood resident.

### FOR SALE

Motorcycle - Harley Davidson 2003 Dyna Super Glide. Call Al: (708) 389-8410. Crestwood resident.

### FOR SALE

Large computer desk w/attached tall cabinet w/ mirrors doors & drawers; Knaack heavy-duty pickup tool box; air conditioner - 5000 BTU; 1967 Buick 430-4 engine w/4-spd tran; Chevrolet bench seat; aluminum gantry w/10' I-beam; wire shelving; safety cones; Sonna tubes; Hilti gun nails/coil nails; wood balusters/newels - NEW; 22" Workmate frame; wire shelving. EVERYTHING MUST GO! Contact Rich at (708) 371-2755.

### FOR SALE

Wood entry door; Astro third seat - new; bricklayer's scaffolding; oak built-in ironing board; suspended ceiling panels; laminated wall & base cabinets; gas cans; large plastic party buckets w/rope handles; Toledo balance scale, fertilizer spreader; wood step ladders; hand saws; small tile cutter; Workmate mitre, saw guide; much more. EVERYTHING MUST GO! Contact Rich at (708) 371-2755.

### FOR SALE

Weber grill \$75, clock parts \$ 5 to \$30, Bantam Snowblower \$50, Boy's bike \$20, Lawn mower \$35, Electrolux tank vacuum \$95.00. Contact Ivan at (708) 388-8845.

### FREE

FREE fireplace logs from birch tree. Call Al at (708) 597-1927 or come pick upat 5411 W. 130th Street in Crestwood, IL.

### FOR SALE

Whirlpool refrigerator like new yellow outside white inside - Best Offer. Also 1964 6-foot pool table - restored. All accessories included \$1,000 or Best Offer. For more info call Ken (708) 270-7757.

## SUDOKU

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3x3 box accommodates the digits 1 – 9, without repeating any.

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9		4		3		7	
7						9	
			9		3		5
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6			4		8		
		2					1
	8			9		3	6
5	7						

## April Sudoku Solution

7	1	4	2	8	3	6	9	5
2	6	8	1	9	5	3	7	4
5	9	3	4	7	6	2	1	8
8	2	6	7	1	4	5	3	9
9	4	7	5	3	2	8	6	1
3	5	1	9	6	8	7	4	2
1	7	5	6	2	9	4	8	3
4	3	9	8	5	7	1	2	6
6	8	2	3	4	1	9	5	7

## April Crossword Solution

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### ACROSS

- Bests
- Island
- Car
- Lotion ingredient
- Midwestern state denizen
- End
- Look
- Metal fasteners
- Prudent
- Nag
- Beehive State denizen
- Heroic
- Color
- "Raw" color
- Most sharp
- Subdivision
- What an archer does
- Challenge
- Radiation dose
- Pod vegetable

- Friend
- Dueling sword
- Quarrels
- Sell
- Destroyed
- Strange
- Crucifix
- Skins
- Breeze
- Play piano
- Whim
- Pledge
- Ripped up
- Shred
- Blue-pencil's
- Ruler
- Institution (abbr.)
- Cincinnati baseball team
- Gentlewoman

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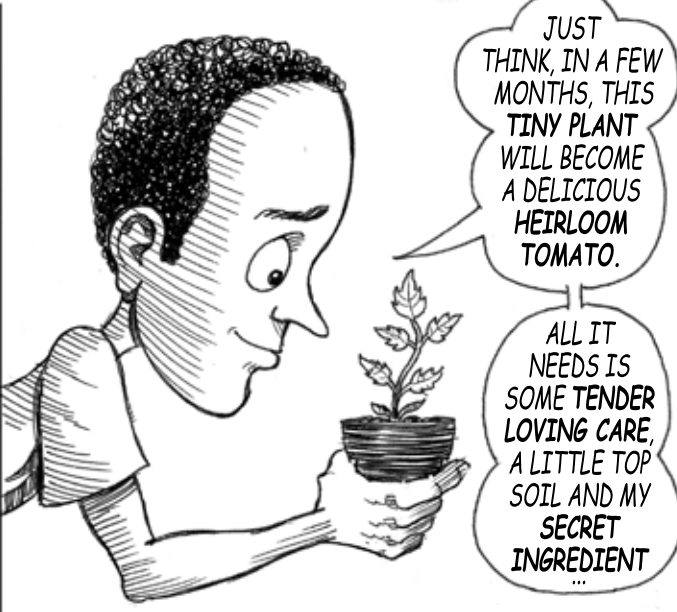
- Baby powder

- Tub spread
- Rhyming verse
- Viper
- Opp. of corinthian
- Beautiful bird
- Drink
- Secures
- Strove
- Mormon State
- Roman garments
- Begin
- O.T. prophet
- Licensed practical nurse
- Decade
- Access (2 wds.)
- Definite
- Awkward
- Down duck
- Fold bread
- Sword
- Elephant nose
- Not downed
- Swirl

- Famous female aviator
- Less tall
- Resides illegally
- Went to see
- Chinese sauce
- Vase
- Punching tools
- Type of pasta
- Adam's garden
- Green vegetables
- Not amateur
- Bod
- Adorn
- Shriveled
- Poem

Crestwood's very own ongoing strip...

## 94 South by Jim McGreal









# SPORTS



## Shepard’s Graffeo Dominates on Pitcher’s Mound

Shepard junior Gabby Graffeo has been leading the Astros to glory from her pitcher’s mound. In a recent game against Oak Lawn on April 25th, Graffeo took her team to victory in just 73 pitches in seven innings, allowing just two hits and no walks.

“It was a big game and I knew I had to work hard for my team,” Graffeo told the *Daily Southtown*. “The big thing I tried to do was get ahead of every batter. I knew I had great defense on the field.



“Our defense showed up big and let nothing through. We knew what pitches were on and we fully used them.”

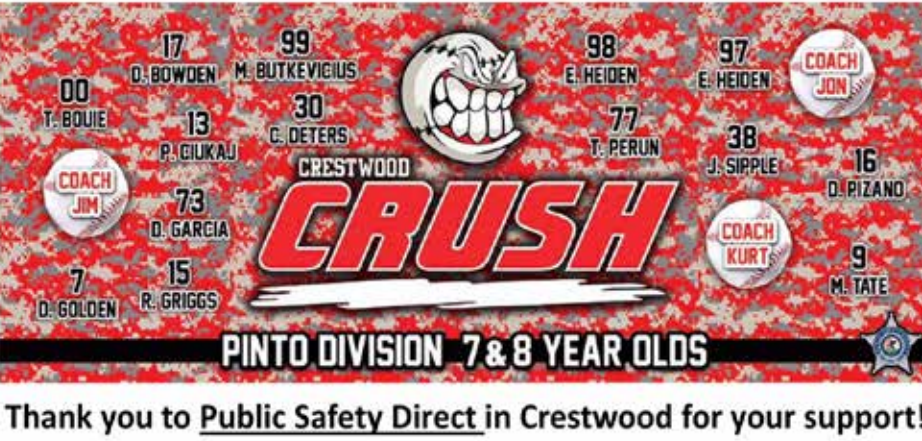
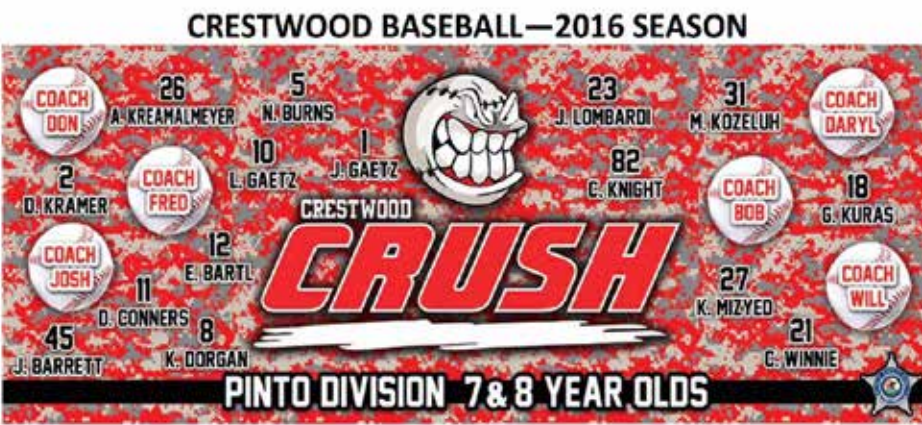
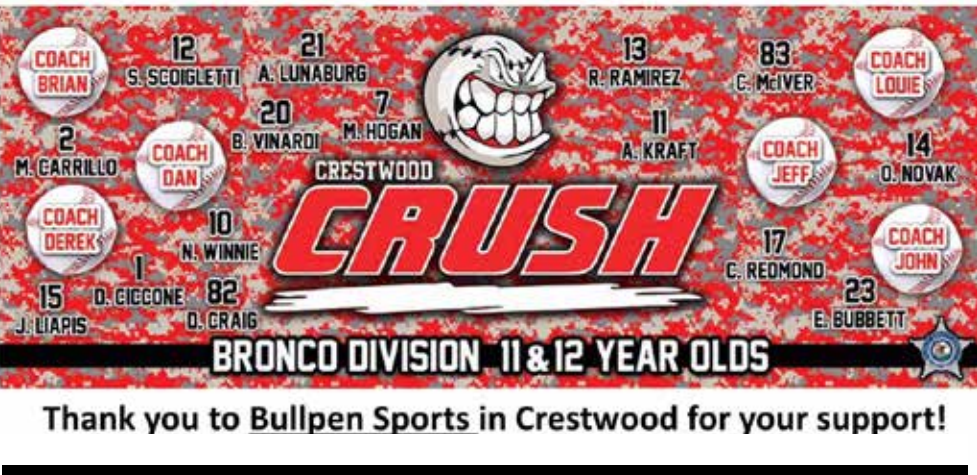
At the time of that game, Graffeo had a 3.01 ERA and 57 strikeouts in 74.1 innings to her credit, making her an invaluable asset to the Astros, according to Shepard coach Kelsey Clifford. “Gabby is a student of the game,” she told the *Daily Southtown*. “She makes it her mission to learn and execute something new every day.”

Left photos: Gabby Graffeo



## Crestwood CRUSH Baseball Association – Getting In The Swing For 2016

The Crestwood CRUSH Baseball Association is off to a great start for the 2016 season and enrollment is up over last year. Since Mayor Louis Presta and the Village Trustees announced that baseball would be FREE to all Crestwood residents again for the 2016 season, even more kids, ages 6 to 13 years of age have come out to play. There are two Pinto teams (ages 6-8 years), one Mustang team (ages 9-10 years) and one Bronco team (ages 11-12 years). The Crestwood CRUSH plays in the Southwest Inter-League and their home games are played at Playfield Park located at 12800 W. Playfield Drive. For more information about Crestwood Baseball, contact Joe, the Director of baseball Operations at 708-371-4800, ext. 2014.



## Chargers Finish Season Strong

Incarnation Girl’s 5th grade Volleyball Team completed an exciting season by winning the Southside Catholic Conference South Division beating St. Al’s in three games. The girls placed second in St Alexander’s league, losing the championship to St. Catherine. The girls finished their season with an impressive match play record of 24-3. Congratulations girls on a great season and Go Chargers!